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Majority prices were unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was seasonally light to fair for retail, food service in a full range, with market developments being closely monitored. Offerings were adequate to fully sufficient for the limited trade needs. In the parts structure, wings continued to display good movement with supplies closely cleared to tight. All other items were at least adequate with little to fair movement. In production areas live supplies were moderate. Weights were irregular but mostly desirable. Processing schedules returned to normal.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 11/27-12/02/00 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS
		AVG		AVG	
Bos/New Eng	54.00-55.00	54.97	16	59.26	31
Chicago	47.00-51.00	50.68	44	54.24	84
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	60.10	30
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	58.67	15
Denver	65.50	65.44	17	64.84	26
Detroit	48.00-50.50	50.71	14	56.02	44
Los Angeles	66.00	64.44	65	62.93	127
New York	52.00-55.00	53.72	25	55.95	55
Philadelphia	49.00-52.00	49.44	9	50.55	21
Pittsburgh	50.00-52.00	50.83	12	55.32	55
St. Louis	50.75-51.00	50.06	17	53.83	36
San Francisco	66.50	65.68	30	66.65	57

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	11/27/00	Change/Last Wk	11/20/00	11/29/99
581	58.12	-0.00	58.12	59.82

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	54.00-61.00	58.95	41
Central	54.00-59.00	56.63	58
West	56.00-63.00	60.16	47

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	59.00-61.00	60.71	76
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 61.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT		
LOADS	RANGE	
974	47.00-64.00	60.33

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	126.00	4,113
BREASTS - WHOLE	65.00	1,250
THIGH MEAT - B/S	80.50	625
LEG QUARTERS	28.00	7,737
WINGS	78.50	2,538

THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole birds was unaggressive entering the week as dealers cautiously assessed post-holiday market developments. Offerings of all sizes were usually adequate to well balanced with the limited buyer interest. Movement into retail and distributive channels was only fair at best. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items remained fully adequate. Leg quarters were readily available and other dark meat items were at least adequate. Wings were the best item ranging balanced to well cleared.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was light with mixed trading following the holiday weekend as most awaited further market developments, determined needs, and filled pipelines. Supplies were usually sufficient. In the parts structure, availability was tight for wings and continued firm. The remaining items were at least adequate with slow to fair demand; however, some optimism was noted due to upcoming retail ads. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. Trading for this week's deliveries at generally unchanged prices. Offerings easily adequate. Buying activity had increased to cover improved needs. Retailer demand moderate overall by stores, moderate to good by restaurants best by fast food. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. Wings were firm, breasts barley steady and balance of parts about steady. Reported parts trading: leg quarters bagged 4/10s 27.5-29, bulk 25-27.5, bone-in breasts 63-72, boneless breasts 110-113, whole legs 44 and wings 84. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was up .10 to 56.39 with the volume reported at 32 loads up 3 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were unchanged into all areas and Ohio reporting TFEWR from last Monday's final majority. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Additional offerings were irregular, mostly light. Retail demand was seasonally slow to fair at best. Food service movement was in a full range, best into fast food. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate with sizes desirable. Parts trading on wings was good and generally slow on all other items. Supplies fully sufficient, except wings, which were well cleared. Trade sentiment steady to firm on wings. Cautiously steady, undertone weak on the balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally slow to fair at best. Offerings were generally noted as adequate and in fairly decent balance. Live supplies were moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 55 to 69 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, wings continued to clear well. Other cuts were fully sufficient for prompt shipment and sellers were attempting to clear weekend carryovers on most items.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	39-66
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	56.13
NO. OF BOXES	10,727
*7 of 8 plants reporting.	

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly unaggressive entering the week as dealers assessed their positions and monitored market developments. Breast items were fully adequate. Dark meat items were at least adequate, particularly legs and leg quarters which were usually available. Wings were no more than adequate to well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was no better than fair. The market tone was at least steady on wings, cautiously steady on the balance.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	110	119.44	706,120
TENDERLOINS	155-160	150.13	166,880
BREAST - WITH RIBS	52-53	58.39	311,400
BREAST - LINE RUN	52	50.44	199,700
LEGS	35-36	38.60	258,240
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	25.71	542,791
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	36.84	189,990
THIGHS	30-31	35.35	160,540
B/S THIGHS	78-79	82.75	52,060
WINGS (WHOLE)	76-77	84.33	383,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.15	86,240
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	44.58	90,800
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	64.73	117,800

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,344	95.00-122.00	100-105	103.40
TENDERLOINS	77	165.00-251.00	-	188.58
BREAST - WITH RIBS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
FRONT HALVES	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEGS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	740	21.00-25.00	21	21.18
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,711	24.00-26.00	24	24.52
(WHOLE)	62	52.00-76.00	76	73.35
DRUMSTICKS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
THIGHS	890	27.00-40.00	27	27.13

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	11/27	11/23	11/23	11/20	11/16
ALA	3,831	(A)	(A)	3,836	5.06
ARK	5,032	Holiday	Holiday	5,250	4.91
DELMARVA	2,344	(A)	(A)	2,209	5.00
KY-LA-TN	2,002	Holiday	Holiday	1,992	4.34
MISS	2,711	Holiday	Holiday	2,691	5.00
NC	2,668	(A)	(A)	2,554	5.87
TEXAS	2,316	Holiday	Holiday	2,356	4.79
TOTAL	20,904	423	4.59	20,888	5.01
MON	20,904(B)			20,888(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 27-Nov 2000 is estimated to be 31,275,000 down 0.22 percent from a week ago and up 37.59 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,345,000, last year 22,730,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND. **POUNDS**

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	567	103.00-190.00	120-130	125.17
TENDERLOINS	60	175.00-260.00	-	217.92
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	126	32.00-47.00	32-34	32.71
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	380	19.00-25.00	20-22	20.95
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,038	22.00-28.00	24-26	25.15
WINGS (WHOLE)	102	78.00-82.00	78-79	79.57
WINGS (CUT)	579	87.00-106.00	89-90	93.78
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 27, 2000 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
42.00 - 46.00	43.48	44.88

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO:

IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI

WEEK OF 27-NOV-2000 TO 01-DEC-2000, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	100.00 - 120.00	110.00 - 115.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	54.00 - 74.50	60.00 - 65.00
LEGS	34.00 - 42.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22.00 - 29.00	23.00 - 24.00
DRUMSTICKS	33.00 - 42.00	-
THIGHS	29.00 - 37.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	66.00 - 83.00	75.00 - 77.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	27.50 - 46.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 48.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	79-85
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	82-87
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	79
FROZEN DUCKS	135
FROZEN SQUABS	589
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)	
FRESH FRYERS	81-84
ROASTERS 4# & UP	71-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	74
DUCKS	129
RABBITS-WHOLE	284
RABBITS-CUT UP	289

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	102-103
	ICE PACK	92-94
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	106-112
	DRY PACK	112-119
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	94
	DRY PACK	94
DUCKS		152-165

EASTERN REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 24-NOV-00

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.00	-	17.00	-
WTD AVERAGE	18.00		17.00	

440,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.75-20.00	23.00	-	-
WTD AVERAGE	17.07	23.00		

436,000 pounds, this includes 356,000 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%				
RANGE	13.00-20.75	-	12.00	13.00-16.00
WTD AVERAGE	17.67		12.00	14.91

2,024,000 pounds, this includes 1,264,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	13.00
WTD AVERAGE				13.00

120,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were slightly higher compared to the past week. Demand was moderate to good for spent hens following the holiday. Finished sales had slowed following the weekend. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-NOV-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-9	5-7.25	6.94

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 24-NOV-00

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	21.00	13.00-14.00	-
WTD AVERAGE		21.00	13.67	

142,800 pounds, this includes 81,600 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-21.00	19.00-23.00	11.00-13.00	13.00-14.00
WTD AVERAGE	18.28	20.91	12.00	13.37

1,473,000 pounds, this includes 838,400 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were irregular when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate. Offerings were sufficient for trade needs. Floor stocks of finished product ranged from about adequate to adequate for current requirements. The market tone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-NOV-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-8.5	4-6.5	5.52
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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